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CHINA

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POSSIBLE DEFENSIVE STRONGPOINTS,
NAO CHOU TAO (ISLAND), CHINA

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Photography of [REDACTED] reveals three possible defensive strongpoints, eight concrete structures, and an early warning radar facility on Nao Chou Tao (island) (A, B, C, Figure 1). These defensive strongpoints are similar in construction technique and appearance to the suspect advanced weapons related facilities (SAWRFs) on the mainland.

Each of these strongpoints consists of a mound of earth approximately 10 meters (33 feet) in height, with probable entrances at the base of the mound and an unidentified object or structure 8 meters (26 feet) in diameter on top of the mound. Each of the strongpoints is encircled by a moat approximately 247 meters (810 feet) in diameter and 10 meters (33 feet) in width (Figure 2).

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A review of KH mission [REDACTED] reveals a possible corridor system under construction at one of the strongpoints (B) on [REDACTED]. The corridor is [REDACTED] in length on an east-west axis. Two [REDACTED] perpendicular arms extend from the central corridor, one to the north and one to the south (Figure 3). Initial scarring was observed at one of the other sites (C).

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In addition to the strongpoints, four large and two small parallel earth-covered, probably concrete structures are located at 20-54-30N 110-36-30E. The four larger structures have large openings facing southeast toward the coast and are located approximately 1,100 meters (3,609 feet) from the beach. Two long, narrow, parallel, concrete structures are located in trench-like excavations at 20-54-50N 110-35-40E. These structures are similar to those located near Leipei (21-23N 110-12E) in South China.

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The Nao Chou Tao Air Warning Radar Facility [REDACTED] is located at 20-54-30N 110-36-11E; however, there does not appear to be any radar present. A probable moat extends around approximately one-third of the facility.

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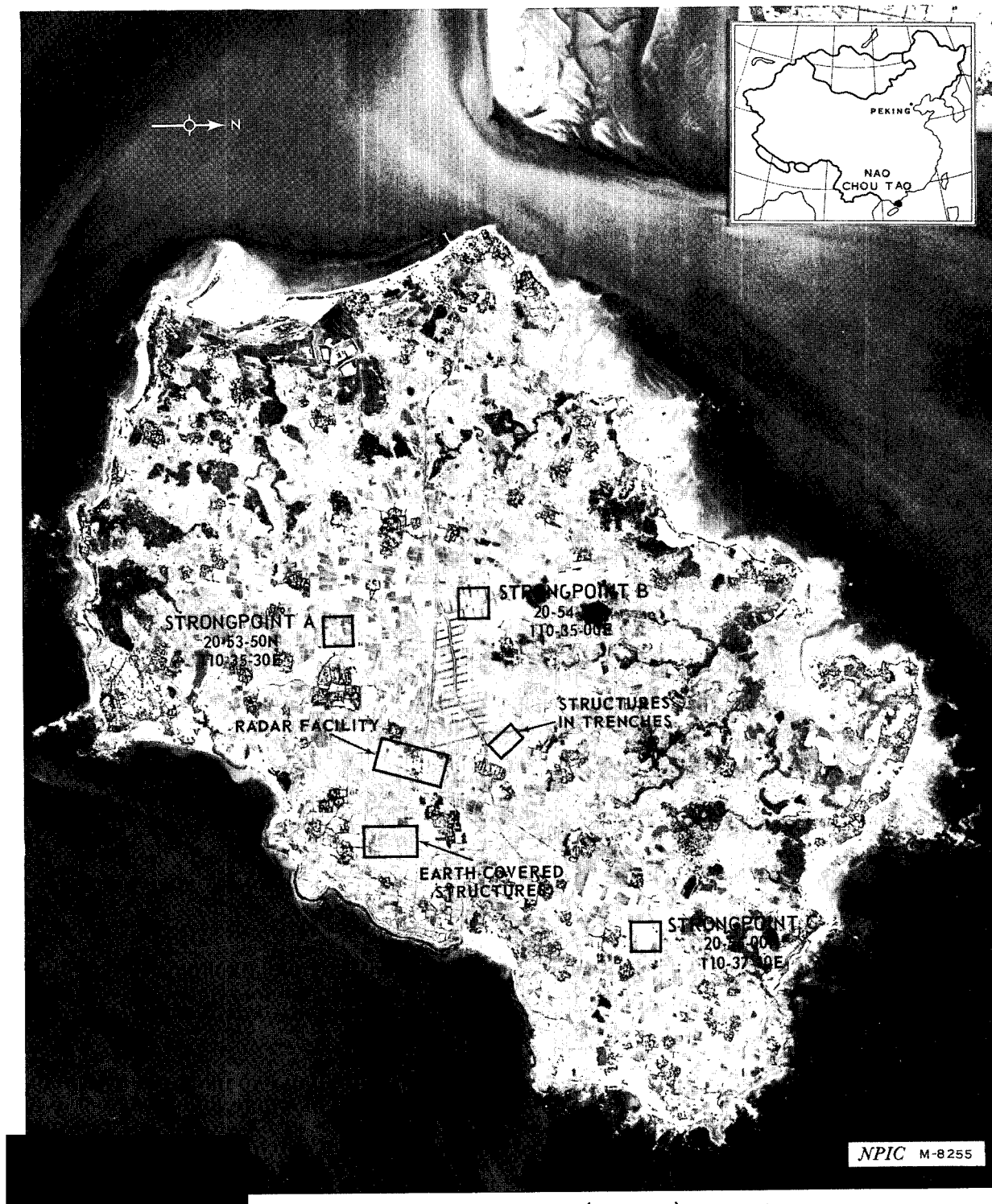


FIGURE 1. NAO CHOU TAO (ISLAND), CHINA

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FIGURE 2. POSSIBLE DEFENSIVE STRONGPOINT, NAO CHOU TAO (ISLAND), CHINA

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FIGURE 3. POSSIBLE DEFENSIVE STRONGPOINT, NAO CHOU TAO (ISLAND), CHINA

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